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Morehead State hosts Jack Uldrich

The President's Performing Arts and Speakers Program (PASP) was created to enhance the vitality of MSU and to expand the intellectual engagement of the University's students, faculty and staff, and community.

A crowd of nearly 750 attended "Jack Uldrich: The Big AHA," Thursday, Oct. 15, as part of the President's Performing Arts and Speakers Program. The event was co-hosted by MSU's College of Business and Technology.

AHA is an acronym for awareness, humility and action, all of which Uldrich said are necessary to embrace change. During his presentation, Uldrich spoke about emerging transformational technology trends and the need to discard old ways of doing things in order to embrace new innovations. "There are certain things we all learned early on about our industry that were correct years ago. The world has changed, but our thinking has not," he said. Uldrich added technology is growing exponentially, and he talked about 10 emerging technology trends that will transform the world, including wearable technology, 3-D printing, gene sequencing and more. "This kind of change requires humility and it demands action."

Uldrich is a renowned global futurist and the best-selling author of 11 books. He is a frequent guest on national media and regularly appears on the Science Channel's television program "FutureScape" and the Disney Channel show "Inside Out."

He is a prolific speaker on technology, change management and leadership, and has addressed Fortune 100 corporations, venture capital firms, associations, not-for-profit organizations, and state and regional governments on five continents.

Highly regarded for his unique ability to present complex information in an entertaining, understandable and digestible manner that stays with his audiences long afterwards, Uldrich has spoken to hundreds of businesses and organizations. He lives in Minneapolis, Minnesota, with his wife and two children.



Top Ranked College for 12th Consecutive Year

MSU has been recognized for the 12th consecutive year as one of the top public universities in the South in the 2016 edition of "America's Best Colleges" by U.S.News & World Report. The newest rankings include MSU as 25th in the Top Public University-Master's/South division.

The rankings place emphasis on acceptance rates, graduation rates, admissions selectivity, and small class sizes. MSU has consistently been recognized for relatively small class sizes and a high percentage of full-time faculty members, which are two important factors of student success.

Named Best Among Online Colleges in Kentucky

MSU has been named among the "Best Online Colleges" in Kentucky.

AffordableCollegesOnline.org (AC Online), a leading resource for online learning and college affordability information, has released its ranking for the 2015-16 "Best Online Colleges" for Kentucky. MSU was ranked third.

Ranked schools met a variety of criteria and metrics that included public or private, not-for-profit institutions offering a bachelor's degree or higher, and at least one fully-online bachelor's degree.

AC Online has distinguished its ranking scale by the use of peer-based value, or PBV. The PBV score compares the cost of each program to the cost of similar programs with the same qualitative score.

MSU Partners with Governor's School for the Arts in EKY

The Kentucky Center Governor's School for the Arts has partnered with Morehead State University and the Kentucky Folk Art Center to provide hands-on visual art and instrumental music workshops to middle and high school students in Lee and Owsley counties. The Rising Artist Group initiative brings GSA faculty, and MSU faculty and students together to provide one-on-one instruction to students over the course of three school visits. During the visits, students spend the day working intensely in their art form.

Five join MSU halls of fame; Johnson, Rice receive Founders Award

Morehead State University welcomed five new members into its halls of fame and honored two individuals with the Founders Award for University Service on Friday, Oct. 9, during its Homecoming Banquet.

The 2015 Founders Award for University Service was presented to Carol Johnson and the late W. H. "Honie" Rice.

Inducted into the Alumni Hall of Fame were Chuck Charles (74), mayor of Ashland, Kentucky; Kelly Kulick (00), a successful professional bowler; and Randy Lillard (98), the assistant director for advanced development projects at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

Inductees of the Athletic Hall of Fame were Kandi Brown Parker (04), owner of the MSU record for career free-throw percentage; and Jim Wells (73), the official scorer for Eagle men's and women's basketball games.